GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1096
ANSWERED ON:14.07.2004
SUCCESS OF PMRY IN NORTH EASTERN REGION
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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the success of implementation of Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) in Assam and other North Eastern States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government for more effective and result oriented implementation of PMRY in these States?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Two rounds of evaluations of Prime Minster Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) have already been conducted by the Institute of Applied Manpower Research (IAMR), Delhi for the programme year 1993-94 to 1997-98. The important findings of the evaluation report of the second round covering 13 districts in 5 States, including Assam, and Manipur are enclosed at annexure-I. The third round of evaluation for the programme years 1998-99 to 2000-01 covering Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim has also been entrusted to IAMR during 2004-05.

(c) Government has initiated various measures to improve the performance of PMRY in the North Eastern States that inter-alia include relaxation in upper age limit from 35 years to 40 years, enhancement of subsidy ceiling from Rs. 7500/- to Rs. 15000/-, relaxation in residency criteria for married men in Meghalaya, instructions to the implementing Banks to reduce the gap between sanctions and disbursements, etc.

Annexure - I

ANNEXURE-I AS REFERRED TO REPLY OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1096 RAISED BY SHRI KIRIP CHALIHA FOR ANSWER ON 14.07.2004

IMPORTANT FINDINGS OF THE EVALUATION STUDY OF THE PRIME MINISTER`S ROZGAR YOJANA (2nd ROUND).

i) 61.3% of the beneficiaries belong to General Category, 25.6% to OBCs, 11% to SCs and 2.1% to STs.
Proportion of women is 14%.
ii) Sanction was 81. 6% of target and 74.7% of sanctioned cases were disbursed.
iii) Average amount of loan disbursed is Rs. 57,403/- per beneflciary.
iv) Employment generated is 1.94 persons per functional unit.
v) The distribution of beneficiaries in rural/urban areas are 49.9% & ` 50.1 % respectively.
vi) Assets have been created in 89.7% of the cases disbursed.
vii) 36.4% of the beneficiaries were repaying the loan installments on time.
viii) Willful default comprise 16% of the default cases.